## MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Wednesday, October 10, 2007 9:00 a.m. **Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing** 

Representative Accavitti, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Clemente, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Garfield, Huizenga, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (18/19)

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Palsrok. (1/19)

Representative Lindberg made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of September 12, 2007. No objections being offered, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

Representative Nofs made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

Jose Delgado, representing the American Transmission Company (ATC), reviewed the background of ATC and projects undertaken to modernize equipment as well and discussed the need for providing reliability in the best economic fashion, that generation construction and transmission are both essential for a more economic system, and staying ahead of transmission needs.

Barry Bahrman and Bill Tyburk, representing Timberland Power Company, discussed a strong Michigan Renewable Portfolio Standard and provided a presentation regarding biomass energy and a draft report for a Biomass Cogeneration Plant in Marquette County.

Questions and discussion followed.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Accavitti declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:22 a.m.

Representative Frank Accavitti, Jr., Chair

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